

**STATE OF LOUISIANA
DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW**

LOUISIANA BOARD OF ETHICS

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DOCKET NO.

IN THE MATTER OF

CHASTITY LIVINGSTON

AGENCY TRACKING NO. 2017-1219

CHARGES

The Louisiana Board of Ethics voted on October 18, 2018, to and does hereby file the following charges:

1.

Chastity Livingston was hired by Grambling State University on April 18, 2011 and was employed as Campus Card Manager earning an annual salary of approximately \$36,000.00.

2.

Chastity Livingston's employment with Grambling State University was terminated on January 3, 2017.

3.

As the Campus Card Manager of the Tiger 1 Cards, Chastity Livingston had authority to oversee accounts linked to the cards and make adjustments to the accounts.

4.

An audit was conducted by the University of Louisiana System relative to Tiger 1 Card accounts. The audit disclosed that between October 31, 2014 and January 5, 2017, Chastity Livingston improperly transferred to and received \$14,000.00 in her Tiger 1 G-Flex Account to

which she was not duly entitled to receive for the performance of her job duties as a Campus Card Manager.

5.

The audit further disclosed that between October 31, 2014 and January 5, 2017, Chastity Livingston improperly transferred \$8,807.73 to the Tiger 1 G-Flex Account of her sister, LaKeidra Livingston, knowing that LaKeidra Livingston had a substantial economic interest in the transfer.

6.

The audit further disclosed that between October 31, 2014 and January 5, 2017, Chastity Livingston improperly transferred \$8,405.00 to the Tiger 1 G-Flex Account of her sister, Tiqua Livingston, knowing that Tiqua Livingston had a substantial economic interest in the transfer.

7.

Chastity Livingston received money to which she was not duly entitled for the performance of her duties and responsibilities as a Campus Card Manager for Grambling State University.

8.

Chastity Livingston was interviewed by the Louisiana State Police on November 2, 2017, whereby she admitted to her involvement relative to the improper transfer and receipt of money from Grambling State University to herself in the amount of \$14,000.00 to which she was not duly entitled to receive for the performance of her job duties and responsibilities as Campus Card Manager and her transfer of money from Grambling State University to her sister, LaKeidra Livingston, who had a substantial economic interest in the amount of \$8,807.73 and her sister, Tiqua Livingston, who had a substantial economic interest in the amount of \$8,405.00, .

9.

La. R.S. 42:1111A(1)(a) provides:

No public servant shall receive anything of economic value, other than compensation and benefits from the governmental entity to which he is duly entitled, for the performance of the duties and responsibilities of his office or position.

10.

La. R.S. 42:1112A provides:

No public servant, except as provided in R.S. 42:1120, shall participate in a transaction in which he has a personal substantial economic interest of which he may be reasonably expected to know involving the governmental entity.

11.

La. R.S. 42:1112B(1) provides:

No public servant, except as provided in R.S. 42:1120, shall participate in a transaction involving the governmental entity in which, to his actual knowledge, any of the following persons has a substantial economic interest:

- (1) Any member of his immediate family.

12.

Based on the foregoing facts, Chastity Livingston, while serving as the Campus Card Manager for Grambling State University, violated La. R.S. 42:1111A(1)(a) for receiving a thing of economic value other than compensation and benefits for the performance of the duties and responsibilities of her office or position, when she transferred and received \$14,000.00 from her Tiger 1 G-Flex Accounts at Grambling State University.

13.

Based on the foregoing facts, Chastity Livingston, in her capacity as the Campus Card Manager for Grambling State University, violated La. R.S. 42:1112A for participating in transactions in which she had a personal substantial economic interest of which she reasonably expected to know involving Grambling State University, when she transferred and received money from her Tiger 1 G-Flex Accounts at Grambling State University which she was not duly entitled to receive.

14.

Based on the foregoing facts, Chastity Livingston, in her capacity as the Campus Card Manager for Grambling State University, violated La. R.S. 42:1112B(1) for participating in transactions in which her sister, LaKeidra Livingston, had a personal substantial economic interest of which she had actual knowledge involving Grambling State University, when she transferred money from Grambling State University to LaKeidra Livingston's Tiger 1 G-Flex Account, which she was not duly entitled to receive.

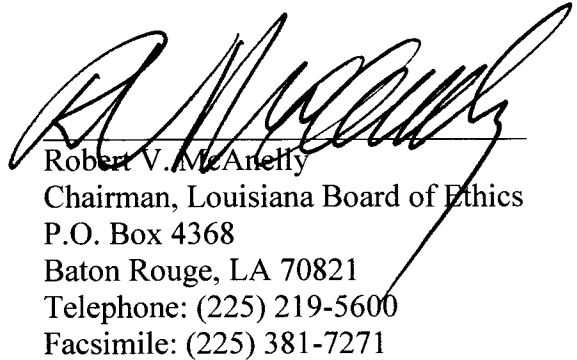
15.

Based on the foregoing facts, Chastity Livingston, in her capacity as the Campus Card Manager for Grambling State University, violated La. R.S. 42:1112B(1) for participating in transactions in which her sister, Tiqua Livingston, had a personal substantial economic interest of which she had actual knowledge involving Grambling State University, when she transferred money from Grambling State University to LaKeidra Livingston's Tiger 1 G-Flex Account, which she was not duly entitled to receive.

16.

In accordance with La. R.S. 42:1141C(3)(b)(iv), the Board designates Gregory L. Thibodeaux and Tracy Barker as the Board's trial attorneys in this matter.

WHEREFORE, the Louisiana Board of Ethics requests that the Ethics Adjudicatory Board (a) conduct a hearing on the foregoing charges; (b) determine that Chastity Livingston violated La. R.S. 42:1111A(1)(a); (c) determine that Chastity Livingston violated La. R.S. 42:1112A; (d) determine that Chastity Livingston violated La. R.S. 42:1112B(1) and (e) assess appropriate penalties in accordance with the recommendation of the Louisiana Board of Ethics to be submitted at the hearing.




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CERTIFICATE:

I hereby certify that a copy of this document has been forwarded to the Respondent via registered/certified mail, and to the attorney of record via electronic mail, on this 22nd day of October, 2018.

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